

Senate Resolution No. 8

Introduced by Senator Perata

Relative to the Standing Rules of the Senate for the 2007–08 Regular Session.

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That the Standing Rules of the Senate for the 2007–08 Regular Session are amended as follows:

First—That Rule 12 is amended to read:

Standing Committees

12. The standing committees of the Senate and subjects to be referred to each are set out below. The provisions set forth below as to the assignment of bills are intended as a guide to the Committee on Rules, but are not binding upon the committee.

(1) Agriculture, 5 members. Bills relating to agriculture.

(2) Appropriations, 17 members. Bills that are subject to Joint Rule 10.5 and are not referred to the Budget and Fiscal Review Committee. Bills that constitute a state-mandated local program.

(3) Banking, Finance and Insurance, 11 members. Bills relating to financial institutions, corporations, and retail credit interest rates. Bills relating to insurance, managed care, indemnity, surety, and warranty agreements.

(4) Budget and Fiscal Review, 14 members. The Budget Bill and bills implementing the Budget. Bills that directly affect the State Budget, including deficiencies and reappropriations.

(5) Business, Professions and Economic Development, 8 members. Bills relating to business and professional practices, licensing, and regulations other than bills relating to horse racing, alcoholic beverages, oil, mining, geothermal, and forestry industries. Bills relating to economic development, commerce, and international trade.

(6) Education, 9 members. Bills relating to education, higher education, and certificated educational personnel.

(7) Elections, Reapportionment, and Constitutional Amendments, 5 members. Bills relating to elections and reapportionment. Bills relating to constitutional amendments, when favorably reported out of the standing committee having jurisdiction of the subject matter.

(8) Energy, Utilities, and Communications, 9 members. Bills relating to public utilities and carriers, energy companies, alternative energy development and conservation, and communications development and technology.

(9) Environmental Quality, 7 members. Bills relating to environmental quality, air quality, water quality, integrated waste management, recycling, toxics, and hazardous waste.

(10) Governmental Organization, 9 members. Bills relating to horse racing, public gaming, and alcoholic beverages, bills related to the management of public safety emergencies and disaster response, and bills regarding the use of state-controlled lands and buildings, state publishing, seals, bonds, and interstate compacts.

(11) Health, 11 members. Bills relating to public health, alcohol and drug abuse, mental health, managed care, and related institutions.

(12) Human Services, 5 members. Bills relating to welfare, social programs and services, and related institutions.

(13) Judiciary, 5 members. Bills amending the following:

(a) Civil Code, except measures related to retail credit interest rates.

(b) Code of Civil Procedure.

(c) Evidence Code, except matters relating to criminal procedure.

(d) Family Code.

(e) Probate Code.

(f) Bills relating to municipal and state court judgeships, court attachés, and personnel. Bills relating to liens, claims, and unclaimed property, collections, and franchises.

(14) Labor and Industrial Relations, 5 members. Bills relating to labor, industrial safety, unemployment, workers' compensation and insurance, and noncertificated public school employees.

(15) Local Government, 5 members. Bills relating to local governmental procedure and organization. Bills relating to land use. Bills that have been considered by other committees having jurisdiction of the appropriate subject, for consideration of any questions relating to local government administration.

(16) Natural Resources and Water, 8 members. Bills relating to conservation and the management of public resources, fish and wildlife, regulation of oil, mining, geothermal development, acid deposition,

wetlands and lakes, global atmospheric effects, ocean and bay pollution, coastal resources, forestry practices, recreation, parks, and historical resources. Bills relating to water supply management.

(17) Public Employment and Retirement, 5 members. Bills relating to state and local nonschool public employees and public employee retirement.

(18) Public Safety, 5 members. Bills amending the following:

(a) Evidence Code, relating to criminal procedure.

(b) Penal Code.

(c) Statutes of a penal nature not related closely to a subject included in another subdivision of this rule.

(d) Bills relating to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

(19) Revenue and Taxation, 8 members. Bills relating to state and local revenues and taxation, except bills described in subdivision (a) of Rule 28.9.

(20) Rules, 5 members. Proposed amendments to the rules and other matters relating to the business of the Legislature.

(21) Transportation and Housing, 11 members. Bills relating to the operation, safety, equipment, transfer of ownership, licensing, and registration of vehicles, aircraft, and vessels. Bills relating to the Department of Transportation and the Department of Motor Vehicles. Bills relating to waterways, harbors, highways, public transportation systems, and airports. Bills relating to housing and community redevelopment.

(22) Veterans Affairs, 5 members. Bills relating to veterans, military affairs, and armories. Bills amending the Military and Veterans Code.

The standing committees of any regular session shall be the standing committees of concurrent special or extraordinary sessions unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.

Second—That Rule 29.3 is amended to read:

Measures Amended From the Floor

29.3. (a) The consideration of a bill, constitutional amendment, concurrent resolution, joint resolution, or Senate resolution that has been amended by amendments offered from the floor, except committee amendments reported with measures or amendments offered with a motion to amend and rerefer to committee, is not in order until the amended measure has been in print for not less than one legislative day. Any measure so amended shall be placed on the second reading file.

(b) A bill, constitutional amendment, concurrent resolution, joint resolution, or Senate resolution shall not be recommended for amendment by any committee after the last day specified in the Joint Rules for the 2007–08 Regular Session to amend bills on the floor, as specified in paragraph (13) of subdivision (a) of Joint Rule 61 for odd-numbered years, and in paragraph (16) of subdivision (b) of Joint Rule 61 for even-numbered years.

Third—That Rule 29.10 is amended to read:

Referral of Bills

29.10. (a) If the analysis, prepared in accordance with subdivision (b) of Rule 29.8, of proposed floor amendments to a bill, other than the Budget Bill, discloses that the amendments create a new bill or rewrite the current form of the bill, upon adoption of the amendments the bill shall be reprinted and referred to the Committee on Rules.

(b) When amendments adopted pursuant to subdivision (a) rewrite the bill, as specified in subdivision (e), the Committee on Rules shall refer the bill to a standing committee. The standing committee shall meet and act upon the bill no later than the next scheduled hearing of the committee. If the bill is referred to a standing committee during a time when standing committees are not meeting, the standing committee shall meet and act upon the bill as directed by the Committee on Rules and, in any event, within two legislative days of receipt of the bill. Upon receipt of the bill, the committee by a vote of a majority of the membership may do any of the following: (1) hold the bill, (2) return the bill as approved by the committee to the Senate floor, or (3) rerefer the bill to fiscal committee pursuant to Joint Rule 10.5.

If the bill is referred to a standing committee during the time when no committee may meet, the Committee on Rules shall grant permission to suspend the joint rule to allow the committee to meet as directed by the Committee on Rules.

If the bill is referred to the Committee on Rules on the last legislative day preceding a joint recess, the Committee on Rules and, if the bill is referred to a standing committee, the standing committee, shall meet and act upon the bill before adjourning for the recess. If the bill is referred to the Committee on Rules on any of the three legislative days preceding February 1 or September 1 of an even-numbered year, the Committee on Rules and, if the bill is referred to a standing committee,

the standing committee, shall meet and act upon the bill on the same legislative day.

(c) When amendments adopted pursuant to subdivision (a) create a new bill, as specified in subdivision (f), the bill shall be referred to the Committee on Rules. The Committee on Rules, by a vote of a majority of its membership may either (1) hold the bill or, (2) refer the bill to the appropriate standing committee subject to all of the time and other limitations provided in these rules and the Joint Rules for the hearing and passage of bills.

(d) If the analysis, prepared in accordance with subdivision (a) of Rule 29.8, of a bill, other than the Budget Bill, that is returned to the Senate for a vote on concurrence discloses that the Assembly amendments create a new bill or rewrite the bill as passed by the Senate, the bill shall be referred to the Committee on Rules. The Committee on Rules by a vote of a majority of its membership may either (1) refer the bill to an appropriate standing committee, (2) recommend that the bill be taken up for consideration of the Assembly amendments, or (3) hold the bill.

If the bill is referred to a standing committee, the committee shall meet and act upon the bill no later than the next scheduled hearing of the committee. If the bill is referred to a standing committee during a time when standing committees are not meeting, the standing committee shall meet and act upon the bill as directed by the Committee on Rules and, in any event, within two legislative days of receipt of the bill. Upon receipt of the bill, the standing committee by a majority vote of the membership may either (1) hold the bill, or (2) return the bill to the Senate floor for consideration of the bill as amended in the Assembly.

If the bill is referred to a standing committee during the time when no committee may meet, the Committee on Rules shall grant permission to suspend the joint rule to allow the committee to meet as directed by the Committee on Rules.

If the bill is referred to the Committee on Rules on the last legislative day preceding a joint recess, the Committee on Rules and, if the bill is referred to a standing committee, the standing committee, shall meet and act upon the bill before adjourning for the recess. If the bill is referred to the Committee on Rules on any of the three legislative days preceding February 1 or September 1 of an even-numbered year, the Committee on Rules and, if the bill is referred to a standing committee, the standing committee, shall meet and act upon the bill on the same legislative day.

(e) An amendment rewrites a bill if the amendment (1) is germane to the previous version of the bill, but adds a new subject to the bill that is different from, but related to, the contents of the bill, or (2) is not described in subdivision (f) and makes a change of fiscal or policy significance that may be appropriate for review by a standing committee.

(f) An amendment creates a new bill if the amendment changes the subject of the bill to a new or different subject.

Senate Resolution No. 8 read and adopted by the Senate February 5, 2007.

Attest: _____
Secretary of the Senate